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Dear Respondent:

This issue of the Idaho Crop and Livestock Producers' News covers the results of the August 1 Milk Production Report. Total production and number of cows are reported for selected states and the U.S.

This release is sent to survey participants in appreciation for their time spent responding to the survey. For more information contact us at nass-id@nass.usda.gov or at 1-800-691-9987. Thank you for reporting and your continued support.

Sincerely,

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Director*

Idaho Milk Production up 6.4 Percent

Idaho milk production during July 2006 totaled 960 million pounds, a 6.4 percent increase from the same month last year, and up 26 million pounds from June 2006. Revised production for June 2006 totaled 934 million pounds, up 11 million pounds from the preliminary estimate and 9.0 percent above June 2005. Average milk production per cow in July 2006 was 1,960 pounds, unchanged from July 2005, and 50 pounds more than June 2006. The average number of milk cows during July was 490,000 head, up 1,000 head from June 2006 and up 30,000 head from July 2005.

Milk production in the 23 major States during July totaled 13.9 billion pounds, up 1.5 percent from July 2005. June revised production, at 14 billion pounds, was up 1.9 percent from June 2005. The June revision represented an increase of 6 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,686 pounds for July, 3 pounds above July 2005. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.26 million head, 107,000 head more than July 2005, but 11,000 head less than June 2006.

Milk Cows and Production: by Month, Idaho, 2005-2006

Month	Milk Cows 1/		Milk Per Cow 2/		Milk Production 2/		Change From 2005
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
January	436	473	1,830	1,830	798	866	8.5
February	437	473	1,680	1,670	734	790	7.6
March	441	476	1,880	1,880	829	895	8.0
April	443	478	1,850	1,850	820	884	7.8
May	445	484	1,930	1,940	859	939	9.3
June*	451	489	1,900	1,910	857	934	9.0
July	460	490	1,960	1,960	902	960	6.4
August	468		1,940		908		
September	469		1,850		868		
October	470		1,870		879		
November	471		1,790		843		
December	472		1,830		864		
Annual	455		22,332		10,161		

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

Milk Production, Average Number of Cows, Selected States, July 2005-2006

State	Milk Cows 1/		Milk Per Cow 2/		Milk Production 2/		Change From 2005
	2005	2006	2005	2006	2005	2006	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		<i>Percent</i>
Arizona	162	170	1,865	1,805	302	307	1.7
California	1,756	1,771	1,780	1,760	3,126	3,117	-0.3
Colorado	105	112	1,960	1,960	206	220	6.8
Florida	136	131	1,315	1,330	179	174	-2.8
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Illinois	104	103	1,580	1,600	164	165	0.6
Indiana	156	166	1,700	1,670	265	277	4.5
Iowa	193	200	1,720	1,690	332	338	1.8
Kansas	112	113	1,695	1,650	190	186	-2.1
Kentucky	106	97	1,065	1,060	113	103	-8.8
Michigan	313	321	1,850	1,875	579	602	4.0
Minnesota	455	450	1,510	1,565	687	704	2.5
Missouri	117	115	1,360	1,270	159	146	-8.2
New Mexico	328	362	1,845	1,880	605	681	12.6
New York	647	647	1,600	1,605	1,035	1,038	0.3
Ohio	270	274	1,480	1,510	400	414	3.5
Oregon	121	121	1,640	1,580	198	191	-3.5
Pennsylvania	561	555	1,590	1,600	892	888	-0.4
Texas	320	335	1,710	1,760	547	590	7.9
Vermont	143	141	1,565	1,540	224	217	-3.1
Virginia	105	103	1,390	1,415	146	146	--
Washington	245	237	1,985	1,960	486	465	-4.3
Wisconsin	1,236	1,244	1,600	1,600	1,978	1,990	0.6
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TOTAL	8,151	8,258	1,683	1,686	13,715	13,919	1.5

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

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